

MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA COMMON COUNCIL

SEPTEMBER 6, 2016

6:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: The Common Council of the City of Rushville met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: The Pledge to the Flag was recited by those present.

PRAYER: Councilman Berkemeier led those present in prayer.

ROLL CALL: Bob Bridges, Brian Conner, Craig Smith, Brad Berkemeier, and Gary Cameron answered roll call. Student Advisor, Antonia Walker, was not present. Also present was City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse.

MINUTES: Conner moved to approve the minutes of the August 16, 2016 meeting as presented. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT: Mayor Pavey reported that the BEP properties that did not meet the \$10,000 threshold would be rebid. He said they are vacant lots.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT: Clerk-Treasurer Copley said we will have a public hearing on the 2017 budget at the next meeting. Smith asked if we would be having a budget summit. Copley will send out dates for the summit.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT'S REPORT: Council President Bridges said the Dare program starts tomorrow for 5th grade students.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **Stellar Designation** – We have met with HWC, but have not met with the State. We expect to meet with the State in December.
- **Amphitheater/Park Board** – One concert is left. It will be September 17th.
- **Marketing** – Nothing to report.
- **APC/BZA** – Berkemeier said they have been in discussion regarding downtown zoning.
- **City Center** – The Board of Works approved City Securities to sell bonds for City Center.

- **Cherry Street Extension** – We should know about phase II in October.
- **Brownfield Grant** – They have been working on phase I at the stellar locations today.
- **ECDC** – Nothing to report.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

Police – Chief Tucker submitted his August report.

Tucker said he is filing for 3 grants, which will include monies for radios, breath testing instruments, and OPO. We just received notification on the OPO that we will be receiving \$9,806.00 for 2017 this is twice the amount we were awarded for 2016.

Fire – Chief Jenkins said the Board of Works hired Nick Hatfield contingent upon approval by Perf. He will begin after the retirement of Mike Buckley in February

Street – Commissioner Miller said they will begin crack sealing next week.

Miller said heavy trash should be set out the week of Sept 17-25. Trash will be collected September 26-30. There will not be any charge for trash that is taken to the dump site the week of September 26. Miller passed out a notice that he will have placed in the newspaper that will limit the size of the pile of trash that will be picked up.

Councilman Smith said he spoke with Shelbyville's Street Commissioner. They have set fees for typical objects and sell tags for the objects then the street department will pick up the trash.

Park – Park Director Gurley reported that he is still waiting on one quote for painting at the pool.

They will be adding a new toddler zone at North Veteran's Park. The area will be fenced in and will have a City department theme.

Rushview Project – Bill Leber from Wessler said the Board of Works signed the first pay application. He said there was a conflict with the sanitary sewer. The owner has made a request for changes towards Fraley to place pipe in that section. Leber said that may not be needed. They hope to have completion around the end of October.

CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS: None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. **Blue Ribbon Estates Lighting** – We have no further information.

2. **Title VI Plan and Policy** – The plan was sent to 10 individuals. We have heard back from 9 with positive comments. Today starts the 30 day comment period.
3. **ServLine-Residential Service Line and Leak Adjustment Program** – Les Day informed Mayor Pavey that they will have a representative at the next meeting.
4. **Highway 52 Property** – We have a new layout. Tracy Newhouse will be in discussion with our county partners.
5. **Traffic Complaint** – Chief Tucker reported that the traffic issue on Spencer Street that was discussed at the previous meeting is much better now that the signage is in place.
6. **Heavy Trash Options** – Councilman Smith will come up with an ordinance similar to Shelbyville's for Council to consider.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Resolution 2016-22 Reduction in Spending** – Cameron moved to approve Resolution 2016-22. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **RPD K-9 Program Expansion** – Chief Tucker said they have been exploring the option of a second K9. He was just notified that a one year old black male will be available in 2 weeks. He asked permission to move forward with monies outside of his regular budget. Officer Zane Faw would be the dog's handler. Bridges moved to approve the addition of the 2nd K9 unit. Berkemeier seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Request to Purchase Police Vehicle** – Chief Tucker said he has 2 vehicles with high mileage that he would like to get rid of. He said he has the funds now to purchase 1 vehicle yet this year. He is looking at a 2017 Dodge Charger but if he can get a 2016 he will. Conner moved to approve the purchase this year. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.
4. **City Hall Donation-Campaign Flats/Quarters** – Mayor Pavey said he has been approached regarding the City donating the current city hall building after we move to our new location. It would be used as a parking lot for Campaign Flats and Campaign Quarters.
5. **Vacation of Alley Jail Project** – County Attorney, Leigh Morning, asked Council to consider vacating portions of 2 alleys for expansion and building of the new jail. It will be located behind the current jail. Drawings were shown and discussed at length. Morning said the forced main would not be relocated. The sanitary sewer will have to be relocated. Les Day questioned who would be responsible for the cost of relocation. Mayor Pavey asked Day if we are we manned to do the work? Day said we are not. Conner said it needs to be clear who will pay for the relocation first. Ron Jarman said in

discussion with the utilities it was determined that the City is willing to relocate at the cost to the County and no expense to the City.

Smith made a motion to table until the next meeting. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried. Morning will prepare an ordinance with stipulations requested by the City.

CLAIMS: Smith made a motion to approve the claims as presented. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE: None.

ADJOURN: There being no further business to come before Council; Conner moved to adjourn. Smith seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 7:28 p.m.